

City of Houston Code of Ordinances, Section 6-24. Defecation by dogs or cats.

(a) It is the duty of each person in control of a dog or cat to promptly remove and dispose of , in a sanitary manner, feces left by such dog or cat.

(b) It shall be the duty of each person in control of a dog or a cat to be in possession of materials to remove feces left by such dog or cat.

(c) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that the person in control of the dog or cat is the owner of the premises, or the owner's agent of the premises, where the dog or cat deposits feces.

(d) Violation of the section is unlawful and any violation shall be punishable upon conviction by a fine of not less than \$75.00 or more than \$500.00. Each act in contravention of this section is a separate offense.

(Ord. No. 03-1275, § 1, 12-17-03)